

Engaging Effective Educators in School Improvement

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Leah invited participants to “Think of a challenge at your school and discuss the resulting solution. Report out the most salient ideas that emerge.”

Educators relished having time to discuss best practices and share common experiences and challenges across their different states and districts. A host of factors related to school improvement arose in their discussion, including:

- School improvement must transpire under a common vision, developed through a collaborative process. Ongoing collaboration among school staff is essential.
- School improvement is much more difficult to sustain in times of dwindling resources.
- NCLB has helped create a common, national language for discussing school improvement.
- The outcomes of school improvement efforts suffer in quality when changes are rushed.